

I find proposal 02-230 to be worrisome. As I see it increased regulation and interference by the government will reduce fair use rights, already seriously degraded.

Near perfect copies of digital entertainment material are already available on laser disc, DVD's, and CD's, so this measure will do nothing to prevent distribution.

I see the regulation as being able to limit legitimate use of broadcasts, and access to broadcasts by those that don't belong to the "big boys" club. Along these lines, as the ability to create high quality digital content becomes more available to home users, its creation, distribution, and ultimately access to the market will be hindered by greater regulation imposed on PC hardware companies, software vendors, and operating system creators.